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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of William A. Briese

Serial No.: 10/032,850 Group Art Unit: 1734

Filed: November 1, 2001 Examiner: Mayes, M.C.

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR APPLYING OPTICAL FILM TO GLASS

Docket: 16-019

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RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action having a mailing date of January 16, 2003.

REMARKS

The present application has been subjected to a restriction requirement. In particular, the claims pending in this application have been into Groups I through VII, asserting that the inventions claimed in these Groups are distinct.

Applicant provisionally elects for further prosecution the claims of Group I, namely, claims 1-15 drawn to a tape dispenser. Applicant also respectfully traverses the restriction requirement and asks that the claims of Group I and II be examined concurrently for the reasons set forth below.